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1.(C) Key points: - The Egyptian MFA remains concerned about the situation in Yemen, especially Sanaa's approach to resolving the situation in 2.(C) MFA Cabiet Advisor for Arab Affairs Mahmoud Afifi told poloff Feb 8 that the Egyptians were generally satisfied with the discussion at th 3.(C) Afifi said the Egyptians are concerned that the Houthis continue to hold significant leverage over Sanaa. He said the Yemenis had told At 4.(C) Afifi was more concerned about the situation in the south, which he said remains "Egypt's main worry." He said the Egyptians have urged \$ 5.(C) Afifi said the Egyptians are relatively confident Sanaa will successfully confront the Al Qaeda problem in Yemen, but the GOE expects a t